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CONTAINER EXTRACTION CHARACTERISTICS

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

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Dear Sir/Madam:

This Amendment is responsive to the Final Office Action mailed March 11, 2004.  
Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

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